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SUBJECT: EXBS: TURKEY ADVISORS MONTHLY REPORT- (FEBRUARY 2009)

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11. Summary: PMA Counselor, EXBS Advisor, and Coordinator visited Port of Mersin and Cilvegozu Port of Entry on the Syrian border with GOT's inter-agency working group on non-proliferation issues to familiarize PMA staff and interagency with Customs inspection and enforcement procedures and logistical capabilities on their southern border. Advisor provided MFA tentative schedule of EXBS initiatives requested by GOT interagency. End Summary.

12. Completed Actions for the Reporting Period:

1A. Meetings During Recent Reporting Period by EXBS Advisor and Coordinator:

1) Feb 02 - We met with MFA Nonproliferation and Disarmament Department Head Elif Ulgen to review final details for the upcoming visit to the southern border with Syria and the Port of Mersin. Ulgen noted that the Turkish delegation would consist of two Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) officials, one TAEK technical expert, one Foreign Trade official, one Customs Enforcement official, two Custom Inspection officials, and one Intelligence officer. Advisor provided a list of activities that EXBS was ready to deliver from the GOT interagency list, and confirmed that MFA was ready to approve a three-day Analysis of Strategic Commodity Transfers (ASCOT) Workshop in Ankara for March 17-19, a two day US Experts professional exchange of information of US programs for Government to Industry Outreach in Ankara during the first two weeks of April, and a five day Targeting and Risk Management workshop to be held in Ankara in May 2009.

2) Feb 4-5 - PMA Section Chief, Advisor, and Coordinator accompanied Turkish delegation to the maritime Port of Mersin and the Cilvegozu Port of Entry on the Syrian border just east of City of Antakya (see reftel).

3) Feb 17 - Advisor and Coordinator met with Nonproliferation Interagency, including representatives from Turkish Undersecretariat for Foreign Trade (UFT), Turkish Customs and Customs Enforcement, Turkish Atomic Energy Authority (TAEK) and Ministry of National Defense (MND), to discuss upcoming Analysis of Strategic Commodity Transfers (ASCOT) Workshop in Ankara for March 17-19. We provided a brief overview of the goals of the workshop and provided a sample agenda to each agency. The interagency agreed that

DOE should provide all participants with workbooks and slide presentations in Turkish, and requested one copy in English to each agency to ensure technical details are accurately relayed for future analysis. They requested that the workshop use the EU control list with technical specifications and that UFT would seek approval to bring a copy of the new combined Turkish Control list with technical specifications to the workshop for reference purposes. TAEK noted during this meeting that they already provide extensive training on Nuclear materials/components to all agencies and stated a brief review of nuclear components would be appropriate from US participants. At the end of this meeting, we provided UFT, TAEK, MFA and Customs with a copy of the XRF 3-day training agenda to review before the XRF demonstration. TAEK and Customs both expressed interest in the XRF Demo and possible deployment to Custom POE's, once a thorough review of the XRF units and databases was concluded.

4) Feb 19 - Discussed the procurement of additional enforcement and detection related equipment under a new ISN/ECC task order with Customs Enforcement Head of Department Ender Gurleyik. Gurleyik confirmed Customs Enforcement needed Inspection Tool Kits (basic tools, pry bars, screw drivers, etc. for secondary inspection areas (5-6) additional Gerber tools and flashlights (200 ea. Buster density units (15), Laser measuring tool for container/trailer inspections (50), additional SABRE 4000 Chemical Analyzers (5), and Video optic scopes (5- GE XL Go Video probes). We also provided Gurleyik with a sample Targeting and Risk Analysis training agenda and proposed a May/June 2009 target date for this course to be held in

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Turkey. Gurleyik noted that he would need to discuss this within Customs and would confirm date with us in the near term. It was noted that Customs received a general TRM course in 2007 and that they would like for this course to be tailored to either rail or Seaport POEs, but would confirm the specific focus for this course when they confirmed the dates.

1B. (U) Training Conducted During this Reporting Period: - None.

1C. (U) Equipment Delivered During this Reporting Period: Received fifteen Buster Density detectors and awaiting final clearance by Customs for delivery to Customs Enforcement.

1D. (U) Imminent Training or Equipment Status Update: A DOE Analysis of Strategic Commodity Transfers Workshop is scheduled for delivery in Ankara March 17 - 19, 2009 and will include MFA, TAEK, UFT, Customs and Customs Enforcement, MND, Istanbul Minerals and Metals Union (IMMT), and other Licensing organizations within Turkey. Anticipate the arrival of both SABRE 4000 and IOSCAN units in March and delivery of this equipment, along with the 15 Buster units by late March 2009.

1E. (U) Significant Developments in Export Controls, Nonproliferation, or Related Border Security: None this period.

13. (U) Future Activities: Request Department of Commerce, with guidance from ISN/ECC, provide two Industry Outreach experts to participate in a two-day Industry outreach experts meeting with senior GOT representatives from UFT and Customs/Customs Enforcement. Also request firm dates from DHS/CBP for requested Targeting Risk Management course to be held in Ankara May/June time period.

1A. Current EXBS Advisor, Robert Cieslinski, will depart post on March 18th, 2009. Kevin Cummings will arrive on March 10, 2009 to assume interim duties as EXBS advisor until the permanent EXBS Advisor, Jim Piatt arrives on or about April 2nd, 2009.

14. (U) Red Flag Issues: None.

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